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For: PROCESS OF USING SODIUM SILICATE TO CREATE FIRE RETARDANT PRODUCTS

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Applicants present these references so that the Patent Office may, in the first instance, determine any relevancy thereof to the presently claimed invention, see Beckman Instruments, Inc. v. Chemtronics, Inc., 439 F.2d 1369, 1380, 165 USPQ 355, 364 (5th Cir. 1970). Also see Patent Office Rules 104. Applicants respectfully request that these references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

Applicants also bring to the Examiner's attention the Declaration of Interference No. 105,123 involving commonly owned Patent Nos. 6,040,057 and 6,146,766 with Application Serial No. 09/769,714 naming Robert Grantham (Senior Party).

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